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In re application of: Scott A. Waldman *et al.*

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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Amendment and Request for Reconsideration

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2004. Applicants respectfully request that the following amendment be entered and the pending rejections be reconsidered and withdrawn. The period for responding to the Office Action has been extended to and through July 12, 2004 by the accompanying petition and payment of the appropriate fee. No further fee is believed due. If a further fee is due, please charge the same to deposit account 50-0573.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5. Remarks begin on page 9.

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I hereby certify that this paper, along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date indicated below, with sufficient postage, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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